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Viewing cable 07SHANGHAI306, EAST CHINA VIEWS ON FOREIGN MINISTER APPOINTMENT

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Understanding cables

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- The top box shows each cables unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
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Discussing cables

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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
07SHANGHAI306	2007-05-24 07:01	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Consulate Shanghai

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E.O. 12958: DECL: XI MANUAL REVIEW
TAGS: PGOV PINR EINV ECON CH
SUBJECT: EAST CHINA VIEWS ON FOREIGN MINISTER APPOINTMENT
REF: BEIJING 2861

CLASSIFIED BY: Kenneth Jarrett, Consul General, , U.S.
Consulate Shanghai.
REASON: 1.4 (b), (d)

1. (C) Summary. XXXXXXXXXXXX, a well-known U.S.-China specialist at XXXXXXXXXXXX, claimed the sudden removal of former Foreign Minister Li Zhe
 2. (C) During a May 21 lunch with Consul General, XXXXXXXXXXXX said former Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing was hastily replaced because President
 3. (C) According to XXXXXXXXXXXX, there were other signs that the MFA was being badly mismanaged. In the last year, three diplomats had defect
 4. (C) XXXXXXXXXXXX opined that there would be no major changes in China's policy towards the United States. While Li's replacement Yang Jiech
- JARRETT